

EPOD NEWS

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MAJOR'S CORNER



Valentine's Day is best known as being a romantic holiday where people express their love for one another through the giving of flowers, candy, cards, and other gifts. In recent years, this holiday has held a special meaning in my heart due to the birth of my youngest son on February 14, 2002. I must admit, however, that this Valentine's Day was different

than anyone I had ever experienced in 44 years. Love was definitely in the air, but with it also came a hint of sadness.

I was fortunate enough to spend this Valentine's Day at the Veterans Hospital in Dayton, Ohio participating in the "Valentines for Vets" program. Having never participated in such an event, I really didn't know what to expect. What was to be a simple afternoon of distributing handmade valentines from area school children to hospitalized veterans turned out to be a whole lot more than anticipated.

A personal flaw of mine has always been coping with funerals or hospital visits to the gravely ill. I still remember my grandparents dragging me by the arm to each, stating that however sad the visits may be, it was a matter of making the time to show respect to those that were sick or lost. I don't think there was a funeral that they ever missed. But what do you say to a person who has just lost a loved one or is battling a life threatening illness? I honestly don't know and it has always made me feel uneasy inside.

As the large group of participants began to form in the lobby of the Veterans Hospital, to include both community members and military volunteers, the feeling of uneasiness came back to me. We began our tour of the hospital in small groups with valentines in hand, not knowing what to expect from one room to the next.

Then as we began to talk to the veterans and listen to their stories, this particular Valentine's Day took on an entirely new meaning. Some veterans were preparing to leave the hospital, while others sadly enough will never get that opportunity. Some rooms couldn't even be entered by volunteers due to the condition of the veteran. In these instances the cards were simply left in a box outside the door.

While many of the veterans we visited differed in regards to their age, gender, type of illness, length of military experience, branch of service, etc., they also had many things in common. All of them had great pride in the United States of America and their personal service to her. You could hear it in their voice as they told their stories. All of them talked of great military experiences and visits to the beautiful and unique countries of the world. Hands down, Germany took top prize as the most popular destination. We met a veteran who was the grandfather of a high school classmate of mine. We even met a veteran who went on to be a police chief in Kansas after a full military career. As a fellow law enforcement officer he got a "special" valentine.

I still carry with me a frequent reminder of one particular room we visited that day. Upon entering, we began to talk to an older, frail looking veteran as he stared out of the window all alone in the dimly lit hospital room. Unlike other rooms, there were no decorations, cards, flowers or family photographs. He talked of his years spent in the United States Air Force and in Colorado. In my haste to learn more about him as a person, I asked him about him how he was feeling and if he was getting along ok. The man stopped talking as tears began to fill his eyes. I realized then that I had said something wrong. The uneasiness that had left was back.

After several long, quiet, awkward seconds the veteran went on to explain that he had cancer throughout his body. He struggled to talk, touching various parts of his body that were infected with the deadly disease. I tried

my best to end the conversation on a positive note, leaving him with some sense of hope and maybe even a smile. I don't think that I succeeded. I hope he knows that my intention was not to bring him sadness or pain, but rather the love and joy of Valentine's Day.



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Looking back on things I guess my grandparents were right, it is about making time and showing respect. Please take the time to honor our military members and the sacrifices they gave, and still give today. Honor those who made the ultimate sacri-

fice and gave of their life at a far too young age. Honor the loved ones left behind that carry on in their honor. Honor those injured protecting our freedoms, whose lives will never be the same. Honor those who did not perish in combat, but lie in a bed at a Veterans Hospital waiting for that day to come.

While I still feel uneasy and struggle for the right words to say, there are two simple words that easily come to mind..... **"Thank You."**

I would like to personally thank Colonel Cas-

sie Barlow, 88th Air Base Wing Commander at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base, for this great program and her service to our country. I urge everyone who can to schedule a visit to the Veterans Hospital and spend time with our injured or ill veterans. We are lucky to have such a facility in our community.

Please never forget our veterans and keep them in your prayers.

- Major Brian Johns



EPOD "Good Neighbor" Award — The Brown Street Taco Bell Crew Members *Sara Rawls, Brian Grundy, Joshua Harris, & Darnae Creeks*

On October 20, 2013, there were four Taco Bell employees that were instrumental in catching a burglar that victimized a 70 year old lady in South Park. Although they were not named in the report, they certainly need to be recognized for their assistance in helping render a suspect who ended up being a repeat offender. Officers were called to the burglary when the victim came home, heard a crash, and saw a white male wearing a black and red jacket running from her home. The victim found several items missing including jewelry and a firearm. Near one of the windows was broken glass and several drops of blood. Several neighbors also witnessed the event and gave officers a more detailed description of the suspect as well as

where he was last seen running. The initial officers who responded to this complaint did an excellent job by making additional neighbor and business contacts in the area giving out a description of the suspect and where he was last seen. An hour later, the Taco Bell employees who were still on the lookout saw a male matching the description, along with a bloody face, enter the restaurant and go into the restroom. The General Manager, **Sara Rawls**, immediately called 911 and directed employees, (Shift Managers **Brian Grundy** and **Joshua Harris** and line employee **Darnae Cheeks**) to lock the restroom door and stand by while the police were enroute. I think they went above and beyond what they could have done and in so doing, helped apprehend the

burglar, Thomas Cooley Jr. Cooley was brought to EPOD South for interview. It was found he was also a suspect in other EPOD burglaries. He was convicted and placed on community control.



Congratulations to the Taco Bell Crew on winning the March 2014 EPOD Good Neighbor Award!

Thanks again to Esther Price Candies and Evans Bakery for providing the great prizes for this award. We couldn't do it without you.

-Major Brian D. Johns

Lieutenant's Link— Citizen Complaint Mediation Project (Part 2)



In this series of the Police Officer Mediation Project, I would like to discuss how the process works and how we can all benefit from this program.

As we discussed last month, a number complaints we receive about police officers generally tend to revolve around issues of discourtesy or rudeness. Experts have found that many of these complaints are a result of misunderstanding or miscommunication. Our policy re-

quires these complaints to be documented and fully investigated. The traditional citizen complaint review procedures focus on determining whether or not the officers actually committed the alleged misconduct. If the supervisor cannot determine whether or not there was a policy violation the investigation is cleared with no discipline. The traditional investigation ends there.

It is important to the Dayton Police Department that the citizen feels their complaint was taken seriously and they were heard. This also requires more than a letter or a phone call from a supervisor, that's why we have become such a strong advocate for mediation. It's important that we go the extra distance to ensure the officer and the complainant have an opportunity to sit and discuss the event and what occurred that led up to the complaint.

So How Is A Citizen Complaint Referred To Mediation?

First of all, this is a pilot program in the East Patrol Operations Division for the next eight months, which began on March 1, 2014. Later, we intend on going city-wide with the program.

If the officer was rude or discourteous on a traffic stop, you can call the **333-COPS** number and you will be contacted by a supervisor. If the complaint meets the pre-set guidelines, then the supervisor asks if you would be willing to attend mediation. Your information will be forwarded to me and I will then contact the Dayton Mediation Center, who will contact you to schedule the meeting.

The mediation meeting is set at the mediation center, away from the police department. We wanted a neutral setting to have these "conversations".

If you do not feel comfortable sitting down with the mediator and the officer, then his supervisor, myself, or Major Johns will sit in to listen to your story and discuss the events that led up to the complaint or you can have someone attend for you.

To get the most out of these conversations, it has to be a voluntary process on both sides, so we want our officers to volunteer to attend the mediation. If they do not wish to attend, their supervisor, Major Johns, or I will attend in their place.

So far we have had two mediation meetings. The first meeting was attended by the officer, but the complainant did not wish to attend. Instead she wanted to send a friend to express her concerns on the traffic stop. They sat and talked with the mediator for about two hours. Both the officer and the citizen left with a better understanding of each other. The officer also took away from that meeting, things that he can do better in future encounters with citizens. It should be noted that these meetings are confidential. The officer felt good about the meeting and wanted to express what he felt.

In the second mediation, the officer did not wish to attend, so his supervisor and I attended for him. The mediation lasted over an hour and after addressing the events which led up to their complaint evolved into a good conversation about addressing problems in the community.

There are a lot of things officers do on a daily basis which are second nature or we may appear to be more suspicious about a person due to recent crime trends in an area. Sometimes, we may not explain ourselves well enough in regards to our tactics or demeanor which may be warranted in specific cases. This is why it is very important that we provide an avenue for citizens and officers to sit down in a neutral setting and discuss their incident, so we can clear up any misunderstandings or miscommunications.

As in any family, we have experienced a misunderstanding or miscommunication from a family member on what was said, which can cause rifts in the family until there is some intervention and everyone sits down to discuss what actually occurred or what was said. It is more important now than ever that we strive to develop a closer relationship with our community as we work together to address problems in our neighborhood. We don't want anything to detract us from the great relationships we have and projects we continue to work on together to improve our neighborhoods.

As always stay safe and watch over each other,

Lt. Booher

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EPOD COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP

EPOD NEWS NOW AVAILABLE ONLINE

Have you missed an issue or two, deleted one before you read all the articles, or just started receiving the newsletter and are curious about what was in previous issues? We have Great News! The EPOD News can now be accessed on the City of Dayton webpage. The twelve most recent issues of the newsletter can be found under the East Patrol Operations section for the Dayton Police Department. You can also use the following link:

<http://www.cityofdayton.org/departments/police/epo/Pages/epoddefault.aspx>

The Mission of Mary Farm is proud to announce that they are opening the 2014 CSA registration. CSA stands for Community Supported Agriculture and it is a method of agricultural distribution that delivers vegetables at their peak ripeness in the season.



This year, they are offering two different sizes, a full share for 3-4 people per week (\$10/week), and a small share for 1-2 people (\$7/week). They are able to accept payment by EBT. They'll even deliver the produce to your door every week! They take pride in their produce and they hope that you are able to enjoy a share in their harvest this year. If you are interested, please email MissionofMaryFarm@gmail.com OR call 513-633-9145 for more details about signing up.



Walnut Hills Annual "ELLA SMITH" Easter Egg Hunt Saturday, April 19, 2014, Walnut Hills Park

Easter Egg Hunt begins at NOON

Hey everybody, it's that time of year when those bunnies lay funny colored eggs and leave them in our neighborhood park! We invite the local children to search for eggs. This is a **FREE** event and a great time for everyone!

The egg hunt is limited to children ages 0 through 12. Sorry, we can't accommodate older treasure seekers. Meet at the sidewalk beside the tennis courts.

Ella Smith was a life-long resident of Walnut Hills and served as the Neighborhood Association Secretary for many years. She passed away in 2010 after a courageous battle with cancer. The annual Easter Egg Hunt was her signature event and we are pleased to continue this tradition in her memory.

We need volunteers to help decorate and hide eggs and supervise the egg hunters. Please contact Bob Lipps at (937) 256-8394.

YOU'RE INVITED !
2014 Community Engagement
Workshops
Dayton Cultural & RTA Transit Center
40 South Edwin C. Moses Boulevard



Meet and Greet with City Manager Tim Riordan
 "2013 Challenges/Successes and Looking Forward"
 Tuesday, January 28, 2014 at 5:30 p.m.

Pecha Kucha "PK"
 Monday, February 24, 2014
 5:30 p.m.

Homeless Solutions
 Tuesday, March 25, 2014
 5:30 p.m.

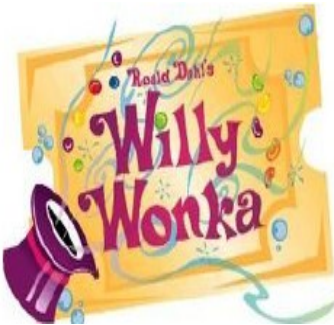
Neighborhood clean-up training & lottery
 Saturday, March 22, 2014
 10:00 a.m.

City of Dayton Mini Grant Program
 (Mandatory for applicants to attend one)
 April 12, 10:00 a.m. and April 22, 5:30 p.m.

All workshops are free of charge and open to the public.
 For more information or to RSVP (not required)
 Contact Verletta Jackson - 937-333-3288 or
verletta.jackson@daytonohio.gov

Presented by staff from the City of Dayton
 Department of Planning & Community Development

MIRACLE MAKERS NEED SUPPLIES & VOLUNTEER HELP



East End Community Services is excited to announce that the Miracle Makers After-School Program will be performing *Willy Wonka Jr.* on **May 1st and 2nd** at **Ruskin PK-8 School**. The staff and 150 students involved have begun preparations for this big event and are very excited about using their "Sparks" (learning areas of interest) to make this a wonderful event for the entire community!

The students will be using their Sparks to work on set designs, props, costumes, and their onstage performance skills *but would absolutely benefit from any skills that you have to contribute!*

Here are a few ways you can help:

- 1.) Help sponsor the students and performances! We want these performances to be absolutely amazing for the students, their families, and the community. Local businesses or individuals can sponsor the performance as a whole or a specific Spark area.
- 2.) Contribute supplies and recycled materials for the sets and props of the show! We are working to compile a list of items we will need in order to assemble the props and sets. If you or your business has paint, cardboard, or other materials, we would welcome your contribution!
- 3.) Volunteer with the staff and students! There will be many costumes to be sewn, sets to be painted, and props to be assembled. Any time you have to volunteer and come alongside our students would be great!

Want to know more about our Miracle Makers program? Click [here](#)!

For more information about getting involved, please contact me at the information listed below.

Emily Riggs

937-259-1898



2014 Recreation

ADULT DODGEBALL TOURNAMENT

SATURDAY, MARCH 22
9 AM - 4 PM

GREATER DAYTON RECREATION CTR.
2021 W. THIRD ST., DAYTON, OH 45417

Registration Dates:
January 20 - March 8, 2014

Sign up @:
GDRC, Lohrey and Northwest Recreation Centers

FEE: \$75 PER TEAM (Minimum 6 players, max. 10)

To receive an email or faxed packet, contact John Parker at 333.8400 or john.parker@daytonohio.gov

In partnership with the Dayton Police Department and the Miami Valley Crime Prevention Association



MIAMI VALLEY CRIME STOPPERS 222-STOP

Report Crime or Fugitives

If you have any information concerning person(s) involved in a crime or are wanted by the police – Call our tip line at 222-STOP!

Remain Anonymous

When you call, don't give us your name. We won't ask for it. We don't want it. No one will know your name, not even us. You will be assigned a secret code number that is yours to keep.

Rewards up to \$1,000

Rewards are given to caller(s) who offer information which leads to an arrest of a fugitive or solves a crime. The more serious the crime, the higher the amount of the reward.

222-STOP (7867) or 1-800-637-5735

The Crime Stoppers tip line 222-7867 is replacing the Dayton Police Dept.'s Drug and Vice Hotline

The tip line is staffed 24 hours a day or you can reach the Crime Stoppers Coordinator directly at 333-1196 Monday-Friday, 8:00am - 4:00pm. If you do not have access to a phone there is one available in front of the Safety Building at 335 W. Third St. Please tell the operator you want to be connected to Miami Valley Crime Stoppers.

In addition to the tip line you can anonymously submit tips in the following ways:

1. By text message: Text the word "TIP400" followed by your message to Crimes (274637).
2. Online: Submit a web tip at MiamiValleyCrimeStoppers.com and click the black "Submit a Tip" box.
3. Mobile App: Download the free "Tip Submit" mobile app select "Miami Valley Crime Stoppers" as the agency.

MONTHLY CRIME PREVENTION TIP— AUTO THEFT PREVENTION

1. When not inside your vehicle, turn it off, lock the doors and windows, and take your keys with you.
2. NEVER leave your vehicle running unattended, even for a quick run into the store or for a coat inside your home.
3. Park in well lit high traffic areas and be cognizant of who and what are around you when you park.
4. If possible, use parking lots that have attendants.
5. If you park inside a garage, make sure all doors to the garage are locked and keep your car locked inside.
6. Don't lend your vehicle to any known drug addicts or thieves; you'll probably never see your vehicle again if you do.
7. If someone is going to borrow your car, be explicit for them not to lend it to anyone else and make sure they have a valid license to drive.
8. Don't leave you keys laying unattended at any parties, bars, or anywhere they can easily be picked up.
9. Don't leave valuable property inside your vehicle.
10. Don't let your guard down into thinking you "hid" your purse or property underneath the seat or in the trunk.
11. NEVER leave your vehicle title in your car, even "locked" in the glove box.
12. Consider installing an alarm or other anti-theft devices available such as wheel locks, ignition switches, hood locks, and steering column collars.



May 17, 2014

8:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

KROC Center

1000 N. Keowee St.
Dayton, OH

Register
Online

WWW.MVCPOP.COM



**ADVANCED
BACKGROUND
CHECK**



4th Annual Miami Valley Community Problem Oriented Policing Conference



Learn To Prevent & Identify:

- Drug Abuse
- Social Media Safety
- Neighborhood Drug Activity
- Neighborhood Gang Activity
- Heroin Overdoses
- Human Trafficking
- Active Shooters
- Workplace Violence

Resources Available:

- Basic Crime Prevention Tips
- Women's Self Defense
- ALICE Training
- House of Worship Safety

Also Available:

- Crime Prevention for kids and teens of participating parents

This is a **FREE** event
for all community
Members!

***Sign up by MAY 3, 2014 and get a free lunch!**

For Information on becoming a business sponsor of the MVCPOP, please contact: Officer Chris Pawelski at Christopher.Pawelski@daytonohio.gov

EPOD NORTH OFFICER SPOTLIGHT—OFFICER JOE SHEEN



It is my pleasure to introduce you to one of EPOD North's go-to street officers, Officer Joe Sheen. Officer Sheen has been serving on the Dayton Police Department for eight years. He grew up in Dayton, but moved to Huber Heights as a teenager where he graduated from Wayne HS. Before

becoming a police officer, Sheen was enlisted in the United States Army from 1996-1999. He also spent some time as a Machinist at Norwood Tool and Dye.

During his time as a police officer, he has worked for three different departments. He started his police career by working part-time with Germantown PD. From there he moved on to Grandview Hospital Police, and since 2006, he has been with Dayton. While working for Dayton, Sheen has had the opportunity to work in several districts. He has worked patrol in both the North and South sides of EPOD, CBD, and out West in the Fifth District (WPOD North). He is currently assigned to the evening shift in EPOD North patrolling the 1 Beat area. During 2010, he also spent a rotation working in dispatch and has also had a number of assignments assisting our Special Investigations and CIRGV units. Sheen has received numerous written commendations for work he has done, as well as, two Departmental Citations in 2012 and 2013.

Officer Sheen is an officer to depend on when seeking information. He has been described by detectives as being an officer who has a good

grasp of the criminal element and has a strong memory of the people he encounters on the streets. Officer Sheen is among the first of officers to volunteer for community events and has a unique talent where he is able to identify any kind of vehicle with the vaguest information given. I asked Sheen what special unit he would like to be in if the opportunity arose. Sheen stated, "I would like to become a part of the SID unit and investigate drugs, guns, and prostitution crimes."

During his time off, Sheen enjoys tinkering with anything mechanical including sea-doods, motorcycles, snowmobiles, and even model planes and cars; in fact you may have even seen him play with some of these before work at the district or at our local parks. Sheen couldn't forget mentioning his love of his family time. He cited his very supportive wife of 10 years and their two daughters as being the top of his favorite activities.

I concluded the interview by asking Officer Sheen about his favorite and least favorite things about being a police officer. He said his favorite part of the job is that "it's something different every day." But, he dislikes the amount of time the job takes him away from his family. While speaking with Sheen, I also inquired whether he had any advice for the newer officers or those seeking to become police officers. He replied, "This is not what you see on TV. You have to think on your feet and outside the box." He also wanted to pass on a lesson told to him as a rookie, "Keep work at work and home at home."

- Detective Danielle Cash

EPOD SOUTH OFFICER SPOTLIGHT—OFFICER GARY ENGEL

Officer Gary Engel is one of EPOD's most illustrious officers working the street. With 30 years of service under his belt and after having spent twenty years inside as a detective, including 15 years in the homicide unit, he is back out here showing the rookie officers how the job is done. Despite his apprehensions coming back out, he hasn't missed a beat!

Engel is a native Daytonian. He was raised in Southeast Dayton where he attended St. Anthony's grade school and then graduated from Belmont High in 1979. After high school, he went onto Sinclair Community College where he studied Engineering. During his third year of college, he saw an opportunity to branch out and he took the civil service exam. A fun fact about Engel is that while growing up, he raced midget cars and travelled all over the United States. Also, while in college, he worked two jobs. One in the meat department at Henger's IGA in Fairborn and the other as a



part-time mechanic for his dad. Outside of work, Engel enjoys family time with his two college aged children. He also loves a good meal and catching up on some much needed sleep. When he wants to just let it all go, he turns to golf and riding his Harley. He is a quiet guy and very humble, in fact it was pretty hard to get him to agree to being spotlighted.

Officer Engel is currently working patrol on the day shift in EPOD South. He has worked other districts on both sides of the city, but stated when asked his favorite assignment that he has always enjoyed being a first responder here. Engel has investigative experience in not only homicides, but also domestic violence and property crimes. Whether working as a first responder or as a detective, Officer Engel completes an investigation from beginning to end. Sgt. Perez, Engel's old partner from street patrol in the 1980s, said about Engel, "He is an excellent investigator that doesn't give up until every stone is turned over." Perez also filled me in that Engel may be best known by veteran officers for his appearance on CNN involving a suicide scene many years ago. When I asked a younger officer what he knows of Officer Engel, Officer Colin Patterson said, "His PDA is half of mine & he was a homicide detective from back in the day, therefore; he must be awesome!"

Officer Engel has received numerous commendations and departmental citations during his tenure on the department. That being said, I inquired what goals he wants to accomplish the rest of his time on the department. He stated, "Continue in my efforts to find the bad guys, and get them convicted. That's what we do." I then asked him about his favorite memories on

the department. He stated that most occurred during his first few years with DPD, when he and Sgt. Mo Perez (then Officer) were



partners. He stated they were almost always able to find the bad guys they were looking for and even cited "snitches" as helping them with several of their pursuits. I then asked what he has liked least about the job.

He stated giving death notifications and dealing with ignorant people. Seeing that he is an accomplished veteran, I asked what

advice he has to give newer officers and those seeking to become officers. He stated, "Always know where you are and where your partner is. If you get in trouble out there (and you will) make certain the troops can find you." He also stated to "Never let your guard down!" As for those who are interested in a law enforcement career he recommended you to get an education. He stated, "Go to college and pursue your Bachelor's degree. With it, you can apply anywhere; the local, state, or federal levels."

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KEY ARRESTS EPOD NORTH

250 North Westview Avenue – On February 3, 2014, at approximately 6:30 AM, a citizen was the victim of an Aggravated Burglary. The suspects, Brandon Bosworth, Dallas Draughn, and James Leach, entered the victim's residence and took several items. All suspects fled and officers were unable to locate them. Later in the day, officers located a vehicle with Dallas Draughn inside. Draughn was taken into custody and several items from the Burglary were located on Draughn's person. Officers located more property at Draughn's residence. Draughn was arrested and interviewed by detectives before being transported to the Montgomery County Jail. Bosworth has also been arrested, but Leach is still on the loose.



1919 East Fifth Street – On February 11, 2014, at 1:20 PM, a citizen was the victim of a Breaking and Entering. The suspect, Robert Kennedy, forced entry into this vacant property and took approximately 500 lbs of scrap metal. A neighbor witnessed the suspect loading his truck with the scrap metal. Officers made contact with Kennedy at the scrap yard. Kennedy admitted to taking the scrap metal and was issued a summons request to appear in court.

1517 North Keowee Street – On February 25, 2014, at approximately 11:29 AM, McDonald's was the victim of an Aggravated Robbery. The suspect, Sean Ostrander, went behind the counter, grabbed an employee, and demanded money. The employee broke free from the suspect and ran to the manager. The suspect was unable to get any money and ran from the restaurant. Officers quickly located Ostrander nearby and arrested him.



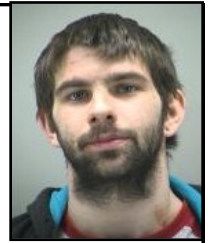
1135 Troy Street – On February 25, 2014, at approximately 10:38 AM, members of the Dayton Police Street Crimes unit were monitoring prostitution activity on backpage.com. Detectives contacted the suspect over the phone, Jenna Goney, and brokered a deal for her to perform a sex act in exchange for \$150. Detectives went to the residence and arrested Goney. Detectives also located Jacob Testerman hiding inside the residence. While waiting for a search warrant, another suspect, Duane Orndorf, arrived on scene to receive services from Goney and was also arrested. While searching the residence, detectives located drugs, drug paraphernalia, and a handgun. All suspects were transported to the Montgomery County Jail without incident.

605 Daniel Street – On February 25, 2014, at 4:30 AM, a citizen was the victim of a Theft from Motor Vehicle. The suspects, prolific repeat offenders, Noah Lowe and Michael Mills, entered the victim's vehicle and took a pair of red and gray Nike Airmax shoes, a Rockford Amp, a gray UD sweatshirt, and two 10-inch pioneer subwoofers. Officers were able to locate the sweatshirt and Pioneer speakers and returned them to the owner. Mills and Lowe were arrested and transported to the Montgomery County jail without incident.



KEY ARRESTS EPOD SOUTH

1571 Spaulding Road - On February 22, 2014 a boy with autism allowed Cory Kerrigan into his house after Kerrigan lied to him about needing help. Kerrigan took a bunch of the boy's stuff and fled the house. Officers followed up at the UDF on Linden in case Kerrigan may have gone there after the burglary. As luck would have it, they struck pay dirt and Kerrigan was caught on video walking into the UDF with the stolen booty and while wearing the victim's clothing!!! On February 25, 2014, officers took a photo of Kerrigan to businesses in the area of this burglary. People from the businesses were familiar with Kerrigan, but at the time nobody knew his name. Later that evening a Domino's Pizza employee, after viewing the photo, observed Kerrigan walking into the Microtel and he promptly alerted officers. Kerrigan was arrested at the Microtel and a Detective was called in to interview Kerrigan. Kerrigan admitted to everything (hard not to when he was still wearing the victim's clothing). Most of the stolen property was recovered.



1136 Colwick Drive - On Wednesday, February 26, 2014, an elderly woman had her home broken into. The thief used a Rock to break out the window and reached in to unlock the door. Once inside, the suspect stole a grey 17" Toshiba laptop, jewelry, and a collection of rare coins. Later that same day, heroin addict, Timothy Goss, entered the Circle K on Watervliet and tried to get rid of some coins. The staff, realizing the true value of the coins, took the coins and convinced Goss to return at 0900 the next day, so they could open the safe and pay him properly. After Goss left, the employees called the police and stored the coins in their safe. They were able to get a picture of Goss from the security tape. The next morning, EPOD Detectives conducted surveillance on the Circle K. At 0900 hours, Goss arrived at Circle K and was quickly taken into custody. During their interview with Goss, he claimed to have found the coins while walking near the victim's home. A witness observed Goss driving away from the burglary in the same vehicle he drove to the Circle K. Further searching found a large amount of the victim's property had been also been pawned by Goss at Belmont Coin. While most of the coins and jewelry have been located, the laptop is still missing.

801 Xenia Avenue - On Sunday, February 23, 2014, at 8:58 pm, Tyler Rensner was arrested for weapons violations. During the incident, officers stopped a vehicle containing Rensner as a passenger for traffic violations. During the investigation, officers observed an odor of marijuana coming from the vehicle. After having the occupants step out of the car, officers located a loaded pistol in the vehicle. Detectives interviewed Rensner and he confessed to possession of the weapon.



CASE BREAK

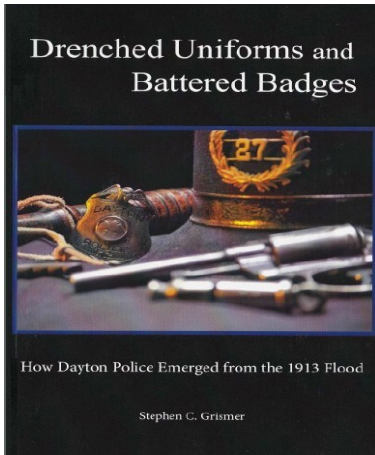


**Gussie B
Collins**

On February 4, 2014, a group of fake contractors approached an elderly citizen advising him they needed to check the "warranty" on his roof. The citizen immediately recognized the leader of the group as the very same fake contractor that had come to his house in November and swindled \$3,100 from him for chimney repairs (where they ran a bead a caulk along part of the chimney). This time the citizen told them to get lost and called the police. Officers and detectives immediately flooded the area and thanks to some help from other citizens, were able to locate the "contractors" parked in the driveway of another elderly citizen. They were quickly taken into custody. Officers found a bill of sale in the truck, indicating the "contractors" had paid for the new truck in cash. In the back of the truck was the same jacket the suspect, Gussie Collins, wore when cashing the elderly victim's check way back in November. Collins, along with his brother, Rocky Collins, and Kenneth Christian were transported to the Safety building where they were interviewed by detectives.

Needless to say, thanks to the work of the officers and detectives, all three were arrested and the truck was towed and held. During the interviews, one of the suspects stated they only worked 5 or 6 times that year, but somehow had managed to make \$15,000 in the summer.

DRENCHED UNIFORMS & BATTERED BADGES



Drenched Uniforms and Battered Badges, the story of the Dayton police force and the 1913 Flood, is now available online at www.CreateSpace.com/4308551 or by going to www.Amazon.com [search by book title]. The color edition of the book is **\$19.95** (+ shipping & handling). A **black & white** edition of the book is also available online for **\$12.95** (+ shipping & handling) at www.CreateSpace.com/4378543 and on Amazon. *Royalties from online sales goes directly to DPH Foundation, Inc.*

This commemorative paperback book - written for the 100th anniversary of the Great Flood - is 114 pages in length and includes more than 70 flood and Dayton police pictures, photographs of 25 Dayton patrolmen and unique images of police artifacts from the period. The book is now printed in South Carolina and is slightly thinner than the original (having to do with the grade of paper) but, as an enhancement to buyers, several more pages, 12 more pictures and a postscript on Gamewell patrol call box system have been added as features to the newer version of the book.

Drenched Uniforms and Battered Badges recounts the role of Dayton police during Ohio's Great Flood of 1913 and how the police force emerged from the catastrophe. This book describes the efforts of the 136 patrolmen who sacrificed a great deal to aid and save the citizens of Dayton. Many acted on their own instincts in the first few days because they were in the field without lines of communication, transportation or supervision. The story also describes the measures taken by police - as well as firemen, civilian guards and the military - to safeguard the city at the time of its greatest natural disaster. The account begins with the development of local police service in the closing decades of the 19th century leading into 1913. It concludes by relating how the Great Flood became a transformative event for the city of Dayton while ushering in profound changes for local law enforcement over the course of the following decade.

Drenched Uniforms and Battered Badges is being sold locally for **\$19.95** at the following locations: **Boonshoft Museum**, **University of Dayton campus bookstore**, **Carillon Historical Park gift shop**, and **U.D. Flyer Spirit gift shop** at 1200 Brown Street. Proceeds are shared between these outlets and Dayton Police History Foundation, Inc., a non-profit 501(c)(3) organization dedicated to the preservation of local law enforcement history.

If you liked this read, be sure to check out other Dayton Police history books also available at the stores or online!

info@Dayton>PoliceHistory.org or DPHFoudation@woh.rr.com

ONLINE DO IT YOURSELF PROPERTY REGISTRATION—"REPORT IT"

Knowing what you own and recording the identification numbers of your property could mean the difference between recovering or not recovering stolen property. There's now an easy do it yourself service through Leads Online that's available to the citizens of Dayton, Ohio. You may store serial numbers, item descriptions, pictures, and scans of receipts so that your items may be more easily identified in the event of theft or loss.

Just Go to reportit.leadsonline.com and get started recording your property today!

After you register your property, you will be able to access it anywhere. Don't worry, this service is safe and secure. Nobody else can access your information, even law enforcement. In the event you become a victim of theft, just log into your account and get the information you need. This record may also come in handy when reporting any loss to your insurance provider in the case of theft, fire, flood or any other tragedy.

If you're a business owner, don't feel left out! Report It also has features for corporate accounts to inventory tools, equipment, supplies, etc... For information on what's available for corporate accounts, Please Call 1-800-311-2656.

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Dayton Ohio 45420
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CITIZEN SAFETY TOOLBOX

Have you checked out the citizen toolbox available on the city website? The Citizen Safety Toolbox has several key features including crime mapping, bicycle and alarm registration, report filing, and submitting anonymous tips. To access the toolbox simply go to the Dayton Police webpage on the city website or go to the following link:

<http://www.daytonohiopolic.com>



OPERATION IDENTIFICATION

For More Information on Operation Identification, or to get on board with the program, Contact Officer Patterson at 333-7430 or Officer Grieshop at 333-2387 for more details.



NIXLE

To Receive text message or email alerts about crime in your area, sign up for the free Nixle service at www.nixle.com

RIGHT OF ENTRY



All City of Dayton
Police Officers are
authorized to advise any
person to leave these premises.

Failure to leave the premises
after being instructed may
result in an arrest for trespass
after being warned.

In an effort to work with the community to address quality of life issues, the Dayton Police Department has established a procedure to enable police officers to work with business, rental, and vacant property owners to enforce Criminal Trespassing laws.

Every business and rental property owner that participates in the ROE Program will complete a Right of Entry Agreement. Upon entry into the program, ROE stickers will be visible on the property to inform officers that a current Right of Entry Agreement is on file. The stickers also deter potential trespassers and minimize the threat of criminal activity due to the property owner's partnership with the department.

For more information on the program or to become part of the program, please contact your district crime prevention officer.